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SUBJECT: USSR REGISTERS SPACE LAUNCHINGS

REF: USUN 318

1. UN HAS TODAY CIRCULATED AS ST/SG/SER.E/8  
USSR MISSION NOTE VERBALE OF 11 MAY TRANSMITTING  
INFORMATION CONCERNING USSR-LAUNCHED SPACE OBJECTS.  
THE NOTE VERBALE ENCLOSURES A STATEMENT CONTAINING  
VARIOUS DATA SIGNED BY B. N. PETROV, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN  
OF THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES' INTERCOSMOS  
COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH MOSCOW'S EARLIER  
NOTIFICATION (REFTEL) THAT THE ACADEMY WOULD BE  
THE USSR'S AGENCY OF CHOICE IN THIS CONTEXT.  
THIS IS THE FIRST SOVIET SUBMISSION UNDER THE TERMS  
OF THE 1974 UN CONVENTION ON REGISTRATION OF  
OBJECTS LAUNCHED INTO OUTER SPACE, WHICH THE USSR  
RATIFIED 13 JANUARY, AND CONCERNS SOVIET LAUNCHINGS  
DURING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.

2. THIS FIRST SOVIET SUBMISSION UNDER THE  
CONVENTION ALSO INCLUDES A STATEMENT AS TO OBJECTS  
PREVIOUSLY LAUNCHED INTO EARTH ORBIT WHICH HAVE  
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DE-ORBITED. THE US HAS REGULARLY INCLUDED SUCH  
DATA, BOTH UNDER THE VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION  
PROCEDURE WHICH ANTEDATED THE 1974 CONVENTION  
BY SOME TEN YEARS AND NOW UNDER THE CONVENTION  
PROCEDURE, IN ORDER THAT THE REGISTRY SHOULD  
COMPRISE AS COMPLETE A NEAR-CURRENT CENSUS OF  
VEHICLES IN ORBIT AS POSSIBLE. TO OUR RECOLLECTION,

THE USSR HAS NOT TRANSMITTED DE-ORBIT DATA BEFORE  
ITS 11 MAY NOTE.

3. COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT SENT ADAMSON, IO/UNP.  
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